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Questions & Answers:

1. Under the “Minimum Personnel Requirements” listed on pages 6 and 7 of the RFQ, may the Principal Engineer who satisfies requirements 1 and 2 also be listed as the engineer who satisfies the Bridge Structural Design experience in requirement 3?

1. Yes

2. Under the “Minimum Personnel Requirements,” on page 7 requirement 4.a., we need clarification on the requirement for an engineer with “five years of experience in producing FB Pier input from boring and Electronic Cone Penetrometer Test (ECPT) data.” FB Pier is a very specific “non-linear, finite element analysis, soil-structure interaction” computer program, and in the performance of our prior Phase I and Phase II investigations for LADOTD, we did not have the need for this specific expertise. Is experience with this particular program critical, or would an LA-licensed PE with the requisite amount of experience ECPT and pile design suffice. If so, can this particular requirement be removed or modified?

2. With reference to the requirement of the two Professional Engineers needing FB Pier input experience, this particular program is not critical as some firms have their own programs for evaluating their pile testing results. An LA-licensed PE with the appropriate amount of experience in ECPT and pile design would suffice for this requirement.